

## Strong Men & Women in Virginia History

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A Traveling Exhibition from the Library of Virginia

In partnership with Dominion Energy, the Library of Virginia announces the availability of *Strong Men & Women in Virginia History* 2022, an annual project that honors African Americans for their contributions to the commonwealth. Honorees for 2022 are

- Samuel Clark Harris, Roanoke, labor leader
- Rev. Beatrice Henry Hester, Fredericksburg, Baptist minister and Civil Rights activist
- Samuel W. Tucker, Emporia and Richmond, Civil Rights attorney
- Robert L. Dandridge, Richmond, athlete and mentor
- Christy S. Coleman, Williamsburg, public historian
- Christyl Chamblee Johnson, Prince William County, engineer and NASA administrator

The banner exhibition is available *free of charge* for a loan period of **six** weeks, inclusive of shipping dates.



Strong Men & Women is comprised of **four** free-standing pull-up banner units. Text and image panels are visible on both sides, requiring that the exhibition be in an open area of approximately 100 sq. ft. (10' x 10'). Two people are requested to set up the display. The unit requires minimal security but must be installed inside the venue and away from food or drink. Instructions for installation and deinstallation are

included with the units.

The exhibition is transported by common carrier, such as UPS or FedEx, at no charge to the venue. The Library of Virginia will handle all shipping scheduling with the carrier. The Library of Virginia will contact venues approximately one week before the beginning/end of the loan period to alert them when to expect



delivery/pick-up. The venues are responsible for repacking the exhibition with the original packing materials, as instructed.

Host venues will inspect the exhibition when it is unpacked and installed and report any damage immediately to the Library of Virginia. If the exhibition is damaged, the host venue where the damage occurred will be invoiced by the Library of Virginia for the cost of replacing the banner.

Host venues are encouraged to develop programs related to African American history or a complementary exhibition honoring local African Americans. An enhanced website with educational materials to accompany the exhibition is available on the Library of Virginia's web site, <a href="https://edu.lva.virginia.gov/strong-men-women-in-virginia-history/">https://edu.lva.virginia.gov/strong-men-women-in-virginia-history/</a>.

Posts to social media advertising the exhibition and related programs are encouraged and will be harvested by the Library of Virginia. And we welcome any other statistics offered by venues.

If you wish to book this exhibition, please contact Barbara C. Batson, Exhibitions Coordinator, at 804-692-3518 or <a href="mailto:barbara.batson@lva.virginia.gov">barbara.batson@lva.virginia.gov</a>.